



WESTFIELD-WASHINGTON
ADVISORY PLAN COMMISSION

August 5, 2013
Plan Commission Order Number 13-03

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Request: An Order confirming that the Redevelopment Commission Declaratory Resolution 5-2013, conforms to the plan of development for the City of Westfield.

Exhibits: Exhibit 1 - Staff Report
Exhibit 2 - Order 13-03
Exhibit 3 - Declaratory Resolution 5-2013
Exhibit 4 – Southside Economic Development Area Map

Staff Reviewer: Andrew Murray

Petition History

- July 9, 2013 – The Westfield Redevelopment Commission adopted Declaratory Resolution 5-2013, which initiates creation of the Southside Economic Development Area.

Procedural

- The Plan Commission’s function on this agenda item is to determine that the Resolution (“Res. 5-2013”, see Exhibit 3) and Redevelopment Plan (identified as Exhibit A in Res. 5-2013) conform to the City of Westfield’s plan of development, in accordance with IC § 36-7-14-15.8 (a).
- The Plan Commission shall issue its written order approving or disapproving the Res. 5-2013 and Redevelopment Plan (identified as Exhibit A in Res. 5-2013), in accordance with IC § 36-7-14-15.8 (a).
- Plan Commission orders are not public hearing items.

Analysis

Overview

The Economic and Community Development Department has been charged by the City Administration with evaluating the City’s existing economic development areas (the “Areas”), commonly known as tax increment financing districts, and proposing new Areas in appropriate locations to maximize the City of Westfield’s ability to generate tax increment if needed.



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Advisory Plan Commission's Role

As required by IC § 36-7-14, the APC will determine, in the form of a written order, that each proposal brought forward conforms to the plan of development for the City of Westfield.

Southside Economic Development Area

The Southside Economic Development Area (the "Southside EDA") is generally located along US Highway 31 between 161st Street and 146th Street. The Southside EDA is approximately 200 acres. Most of the property in the Southside EDA is currently zoned for multi-family, commercial or general business type uses.

Staff Recommendation

Approve Order 13-03 as presented.